GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3192
ANSWERED ON:22.03.2002
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO VOLUNTARY CONSUMER ORGANISATIONS
A. VENKATESH NAIK;ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government are providing financial assistance from Consumer Welfare Fund tothe voluntary consumer organizations for undertaking consumer protection/awareness related activities;

(b) if so, whether an uniform amount of financial assistance has been fixed for all VCOs;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the names of VCOs in Maharashtra and Karnataka receiving such assistance;

(e) the amount of assistance provided to them during the last three years, till date;

(f) whether there is any check on the utilization of said assistance;

(g) if so, the details thereof; and

(h) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) No, Sir. Amount of financial assistance sanctioned in favour of different Voluntary Consumer Organization (VCOs) depends upon the nature of the project proposal submitted by them. Only under the District Consume Information Centre Scheme a fixed amount of Rs.5.00 lakhs is provided to the Zilla Parishad/ VCO recommended by the State Government for setting up the Centre.

(d) & (e) The details are given in the annexure.

(f) to (h) The financial assistance sanctioned from the Consumer Welfare Fund is governed by certain terms and conditions according to which the VCO is requiredto spend the sanctioned amount only for the purpose for which it is granted. The VCO is required to submit an implementation report on the project undertaken by it and assets acquired, Utilization Certificate and accounts statement of the project duly audited by a Chartered Accountant.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) & (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3192 FOR ANS ON 22.3.2002

KARNATAKA

S.No.	Name of grantee institution	Amount Sanctioned	Year
1.	Yelahanka Vishwa Bharathi Welfare Society and Training Institute Yelahanka, Bangalore.	41,400/-	2000-01

2. Adarsha Youth Association Tumkar
District, Karnataka. 36,000/- 2000-01

3. Prasanthi Rural and Educational
Development Society Bellary. 31,500/- 2000-01

4. VIDYA (Village Integrated
Development through youth
Association, Gulbarga. 40,500/- 2000-01

5. Consumer Right & Education
Association Awareness Trust

(CREAT), 239 5th `C`
Main Renco Layout,
Vijay Nagar, Bangalore-560040 2,35,000/- 2000-01
6. Hazrat Allipur Moral and
Spiritual Association (R),
Armangalu Hiriyur Taluk
District Chitraduega-577558. 31,500/- 2000-01

7 Seva Bharathi Trust,
First Cross, Bramaramha
Extension, Chamaraganagar-571313. 36,000/- 2000-01

8. Balakedara Vedika (R)
Consumer forum (R) Sagar. 22,500/- 2000-01

9. Shri Akshayamkethani
Swmagahally, Mandya

(Tq. & District). 22,500/- 2000-01
10. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Educational
Society, Veebuthipura,
Opp. Keelakote Village,
Kolar Taluk, Kolar. 45,000/- 2000-02
11. Social , Cultural, Education,
Economic and Medical Society,
hirehally Challakere Taluk,
Chitradurga District. 54,000/- 2000-02

MAHARASHTRA

S. No. Name of grantee institution Amount Sanctioned Year

1. Ahmednagar Iilla Madhyawarti
Grahak Seva Mahasangh,
Ahmednagar 2,50,000/- 2001-02

2. Samajik Bahudeshiya Sanstha,
Nagpur. 72,000/- 2001-02